

RTOC Region 10 Tribal Operations Committee TOPICS FORM

Meeting Date:

To better assist you with your questions and concerns please fill out this form with each issue you wish to discuss.

All forms are due 1 week (7 days) prior to the meeting.

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Topic Title:

PH Superfund Site

Description:

In December 2000, the PH Superfund site was put on the National Priorities List (NPL). And the lead agency for this site is EPA. The focus is on 10 miles in the lower Willamette River from RM 1.9 upriver to RM 11.8. near the Broadway Bridge.

Concern:

RI/FS ROD Timeline.

Requested Action:

Update by EPA on Progress.

EPA Response:

Portland Harbor Superfund Site (Portland, OR)

EPA has been modifying the Feasibility Study submitted by the Lower Willamette Group and will release Section 3 of the FS on July 29 and Section 4 on August 25. With these releases, the complete FS, as modified by EPA will be out for review. During this time, EPA coordinates with all of the Tribes that have expressed interest in the site. The Tribes participate in the technical oversight group (with EPA and other stakeholders) regularly (last meeting was held on August 12, 2015).

In addition to these technical meetings, the Regional Administrator and National Program Director meet with the Tribes 2-3 times a year. The last meeting of these parties was held August 12, 2015. The next meeting of this group will be on September 17, 2015.

In addition to this involvement, EPA follows the national and Regional policy on consultation with the Tribes which, (among other things) states that EPA must consult with the Tribes on any remedy decision. For Portland Harbor, the Region has committed to consulting with the Tribes prior to issuing the Proposed Plan, which is EPA's proposed cleanup of the site.